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I don't feel that the proposed settlement of the Microsoft anti-trust action adequately addresses the issue of monopoly. It lets the monopoly remain. I feel that the best solution would be to break Microsoft into at least 3 pieces, each with rights to the full intellectual property of the existing company. The new companies would then have to compete against each other. The disruption during the breakup would also provide some time for alternative competition to join the market or gain market share.

I personally am an Apple MacIntosh user, and I am continually frustrated by the lack of "shelf space" that retailers provide for non-Microsoft products. I am also worried about the gradual creep of Microsoft software becoming the only supported software on Apple systems. My ISP, AT&T broadband, does not support Netscape as a browser or email client. They only support Internet Explorer and Outlook Express from Microsoft.

Thank you for your consideration,  
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